

The Early Republic - US History

Entrance Task: List three reasons why you think knowing about the structure and function of your national government is important.

Today: Review of Three Branches test

Early political parties

Homework: Ch. 6-1



Thought-provoking question:
What do you think were some of the
Challenges of the Early Republic?
Think: Political, Social, Economic

Power struggle between states & federal government
Little respect among world powers (i.e. military, debt)
Well fed, well read, well wed, well bred - Social Classes - upper/lower
Foreign trade - regulated by Legislature



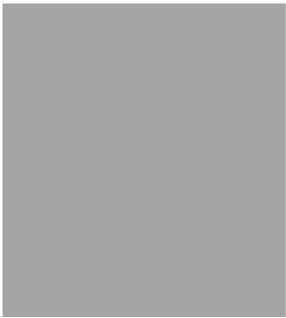
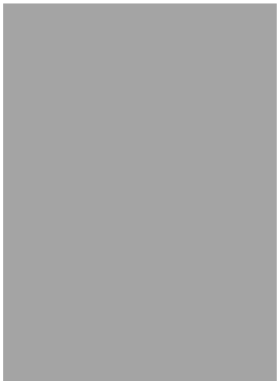
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Other Conflicts:

- * Loose v. strict interpretation of the Constitution
(Elastic Clause Article 1)
- * What to do about the debt of the new nation from the Revolutionary War? (\$50 million in debt mostly in the northern states owed to France and Spain)
- * How to get the southern states to agree to "take on the debt"?
 - Move the capital to the south along the Potomac (Washington, D.C.)
- * What about the other "special interests?" (Gave rise to the political party system)



FEDERALISTS <small>supported a strong federal government</small>	DEMOCRATIC- <small>supported a strong state government</small> REPUBLICANS
Wealthier People: merchants, bankers, large landowners	Common People: farmers, small shopkeepers, laborers
Strongest in the North: especially in New England	Strongest in the South & West <small>setting up Civil War sides</small>
Believed in Gov't of the Upper Classes: distrusted the masses; feared the excesses of democracy <small>Electoral College</small>	Believed in Gov't by Common Man: gov't should work for the interests of the Common Man
Favored a Strong Central Gov't: loose or broad interpretation of the Constitution <small>Elastic Clause : whatever is proper & necessary</small>	Favored State's Rights: strict, narrow or literal interpretation of the Constitution



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FEDERALISTS

DEMO-REPUBS

Supported Hamilton's Financial Program: which benefited many Federalists
(First Secretary of the Treasury)

Opposed Hamilton's Financial Program: felt it was harmful to the interest of the Common Man

Foreign Affairs: tended to favor Britain because many party leaders & members relied on trade with Britain for their economic livelihood

Foreign Affairs: favored France; felt a moral obligation because of the Revolution of 1776 and 1789 & Treaty of 1778

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Growing Sectionalism within the new nation



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The First Five US Presidents

George Washington

John Adams

Thomas Jefferson

James Madison

James Monroe



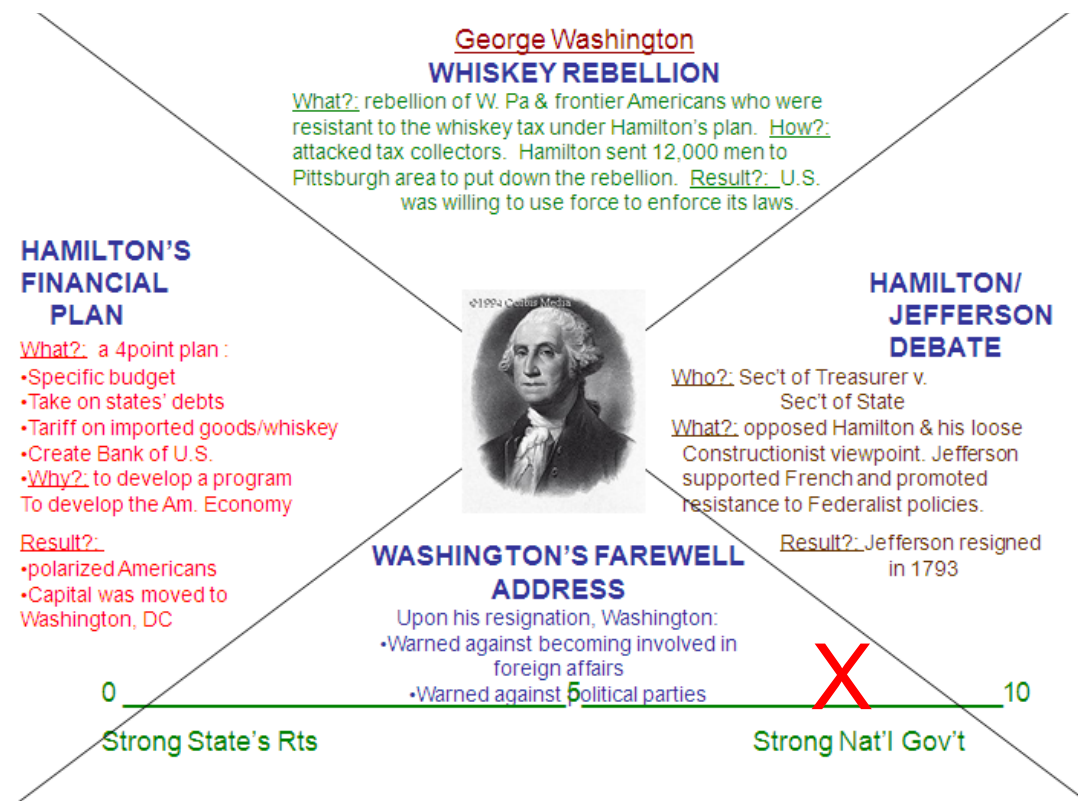
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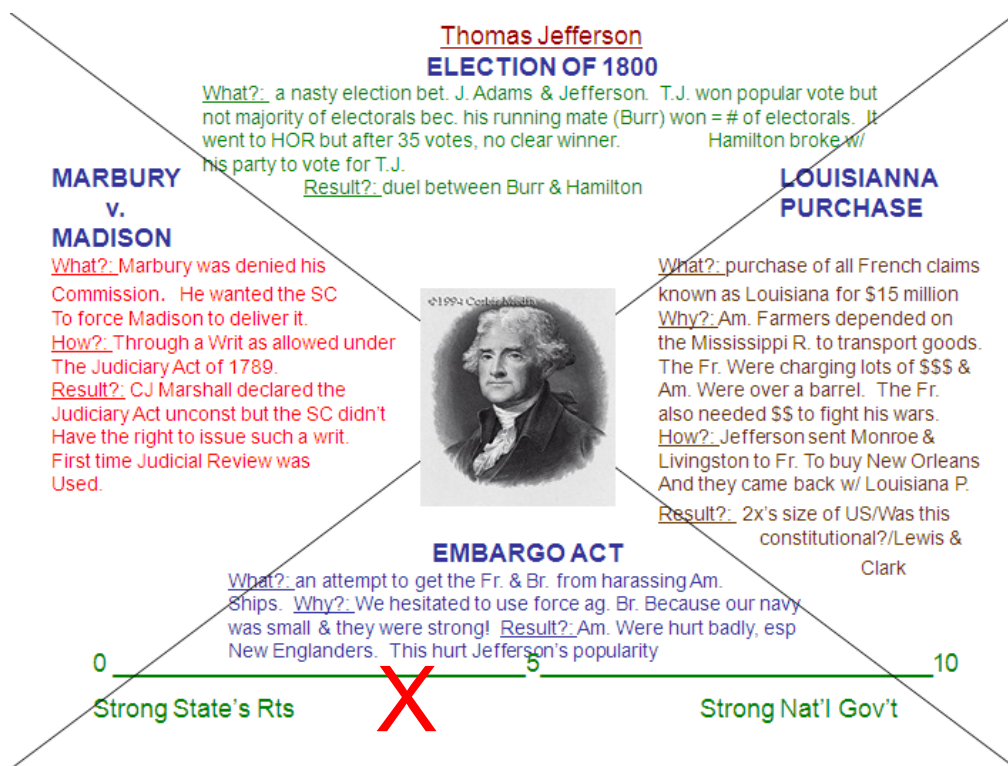
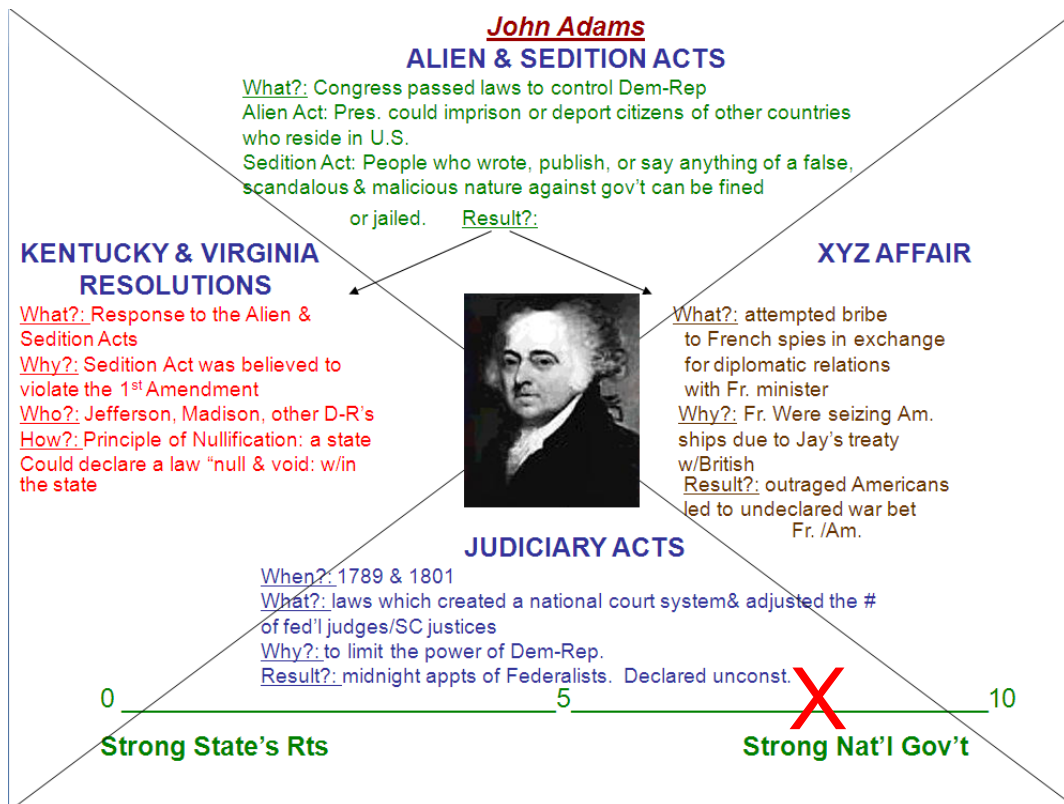
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Tuesday - Ch. 6-4

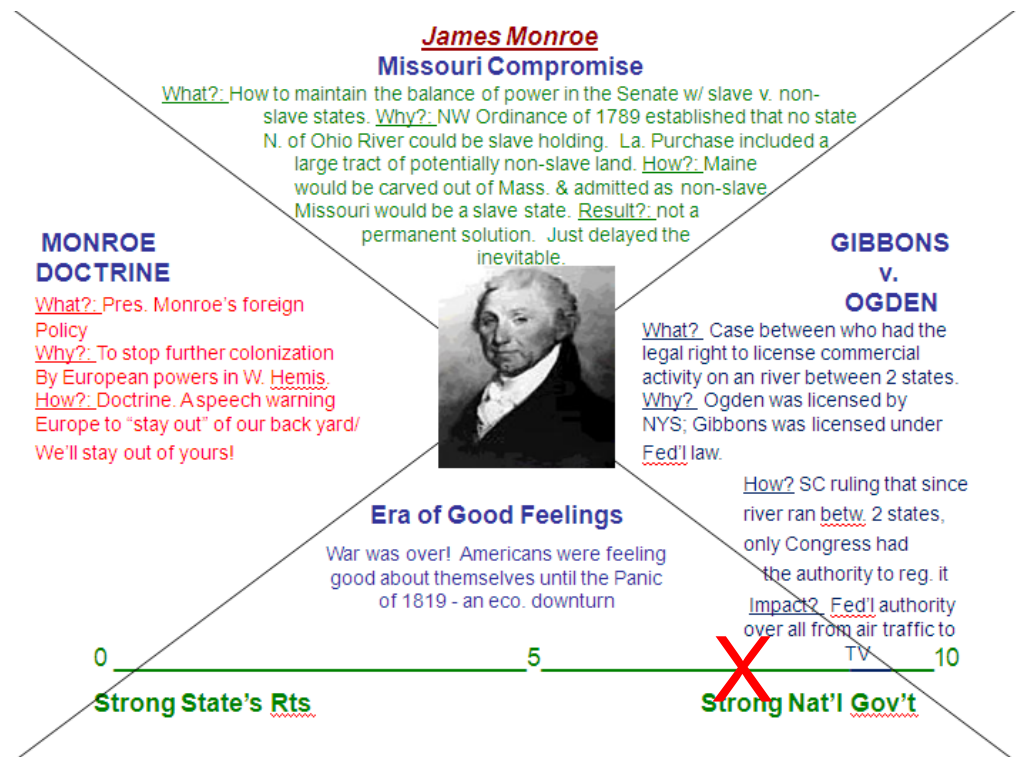
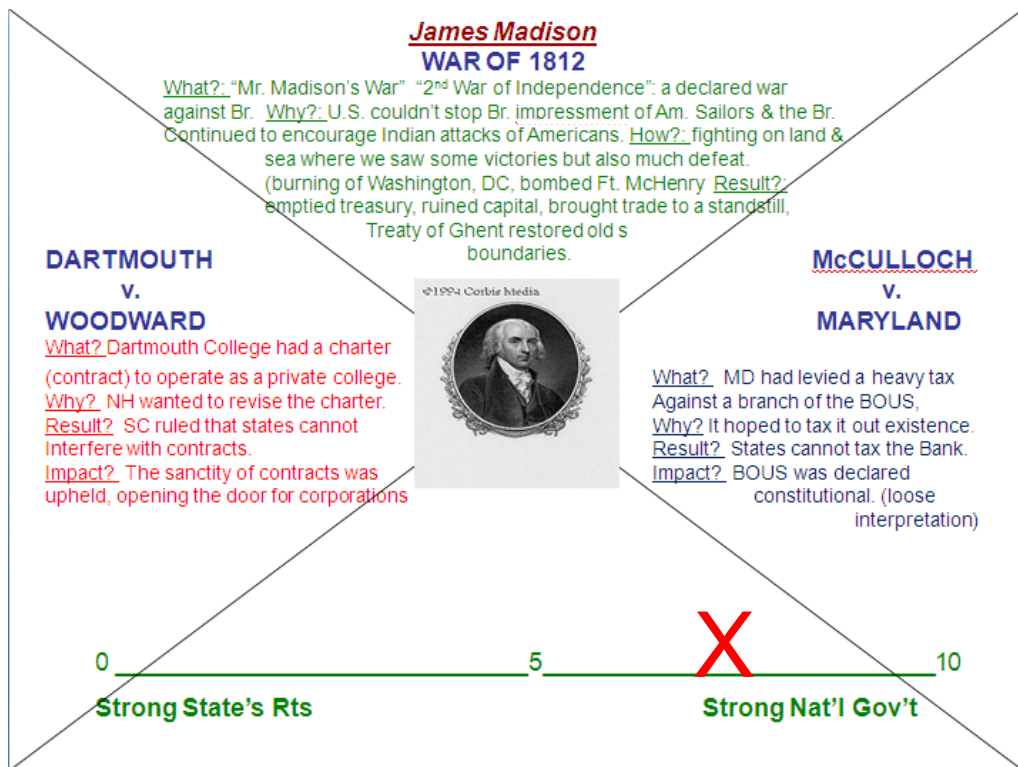
Wednesday - Review



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The origin of political parties

Entrance task: Pick up a handout and stapled packet from the front desk

Today: Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson: fathers of the first political parties in America

Homework: Review for test on Wednesday

Hail Columbia

Listen to the music and follow the lyrics: what's the mood of this piece and why do you think it was written?

Hail Columbia

Written in 1789 for the first inauguration of
George Washington and called
"The President's March"

Lyrics were added in 1798

The unofficial national anthem until 1931

Political Parties

Federalists and Democratic Republicans

Reading on Alexander Hamilton - father of the Federalists
&
Thomas Jefferson - father of the Democratic Republicans

US History & Government

The origin of political parties

Use the reading packet to write a conversation between Hamilton and Jefferson that clearly explains the conflicting views

Homework: Review for test on Wednesday

1. What is your view of human nature?

I believe that most people are
basically selfish and ...

out for just themselves



Alexander Hamilton

No way! It's the ordinary, informed
people that are able to make
good decisions for our country.



Thomas Jefferson

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2. Who should lead our country?

Our leaders should be wealthy, educated, and public-spirited men



Alexander Hamilton

Are you nuts??? Our leaders should be ordinary people like farmers and planters.



Thomas Jefferson

3. How strong should our national government be?

Our national government should be VERY STRONG!!! It must be in order to unite the states and keep them in line.



Alexander Hamilton

Less is more! Our national government should be small with limited powers. Leave people alone to enjoy their freedoms.



Thomas Jefferson

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4. What is the ideal economy?

We should make money through businesses, manufacturing and trade



Alexander Hamilton

NO! Farming and agriculture is the way to make money.



Thomas Jefferson

5. Is the establishment of a national bank constitutional? Why or why not?

YES! Establishing a bank is constitutional. I believe in a broad interpretation of the constitution. Look at the elastic clauses - it allows congress to make laws which are necessary and proper. Congress can tax, so it needs a bank



Alexander Hamilton

NO! The Constitution meant exactly what it said. If a power isn't listed, than you can't have it!



Thomas Jefferson

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6. Should the United States ally itself with Great Britain or France?
Why or why not?

I side with Britain. I hope the US will become like Great Britain. France has a lot of chaos and bloodshed because of their revolution.



Alexander Hamilton

I side with France. So what if a few thousand noble heads roll - it's a small price to pay for freedom



Thomas Jefferson

The Early Republic & Federalism Pairs Check

With a partner, review the questions on the pairs check - Column A - B - and use your packet to look up anything you don't know

Homework: STUDY. HW packet due Wednesday - all homework must be done

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